

HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEM

BUDGET UNIT: AID TO INDIGENTS (AAA ATI)

I. GENERAL PROGRAM STATEMENT

This budget provides subsistence in the form of cash aid, food, shelter, and transportation to indigents who do not meet categorical eligibility requirements for state and federally funded programs. Services and supplies consist of a fixed amount contract with a law firm to assist clients in preparing applications for Social Security Insurance (SSI) benefits. Other charges consist of general relief payments to facilitate transition to an employable status and to provide interim assistance pending receipt of SSI benefits. Other revenue represents retroactive SSI payments, which the county receives as reimbursement for general relief assistance provided to SSI eligible indigents prior to their enrollment in the SSI program. There is no staffing associated with this budget unit.

II. BUDGET & WORKLOAD HISTORY

	Actual 2001-02	Budget 2002-03	Estimated 2002-03	Department Request 2003-04
Total Appropriation	1,268,548	1,614,343	1,283,406	1,275,123
Total Revenue	356,844	269,772	280,021	330,986
Local Cost	911,704	1,344,571	1,003,385	944,137

Workload Indicators

Individuals Served Per Month	417	500	422	415
Average Monthly Aid	\$244	\$269	\$246	\$252

Historically this budget unit has fluctuated with the changing economy, therefore, caseloads were projected to continue to rise in 2002-03. Although caseloads rose throughout the first half of 2002-03, they are in decline in the first two months of the second half of the year resulting in a potential local cost savings of \$341,186. However, the savings may be offset by local cost overages in other subsistence budget units.

Revenue collection can vary from year to year due to periodic reimbursements of retroactive SSI payments that are inconsistent from month to month. It is estimated that revenues will be 3.8% greater than budget.

III. HIGHLIGHTS OF RECOMMENDED PROGRAM FUNDED ADJUSTMENTS

STAFFING CHANGES

None.

PROGRAM CHANGES

It is projected that caseload will decrease by 17% in comparison to last year's budget due to an unrealized caseload increase. The 2002-03 budgeted caseload was developed based on the previous 7 months and not 12 months. Historically caseload has increased in the first 6 months of the fiscal year and then drops the last 6 months. The budget in 2003-04 was built based on 12 months to account for this fluctuation. Average monthly aid per case is projected to decrease slightly over last year by 6% due to the same over estimate.

Revenue collection can vary from year to year due to periodic reimbursements of retroactive SSI payments that are inconsistent from month to month and year to year. It is estimated that revenues will be 23% higher in 2003-04.

OTHER CHANGES

None.

VI. VACANT POSITION REQUEST

None.

V. OTHER POLICY ITEMS

None.

VI. FEE CHANGES

None.

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ANALYSIS OF 2003-04 BUDGET

	A	B	C	D	B+C+D E Board Approved Base Budget
	2002-03 Year-End Estimates	2002-03 Final Budget	Base Year Adjustments	Mid-Year Adjustments	
<u>Appropriation</u>					
Services and Supplies	30,180	43,588	-	-	43,588
Other Charges	<u>1,253,226</u>	<u>1,570,755</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,570,755</u>
Total Appropriation	1,283,406	1,614,343	-	-	1,614,343
<u>Revenue</u>					
Other Revenue	<u>280,021</u>	<u>269,772</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>269,772</u>
Total Revenue	280,021	269,772	-	-	269,772
Local Cost	1,003,385	1,344,571	-	-	1,344,571

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ANALYSIS OF 2003-04 BUDGET

	E Board Approved Base Budget	F Recommended Program Funded Adjustments	E+F G 2003-04 Department Request	H Vacant Position Impact	G+H I 2003-04 Proposed Budget (Adjusted)	J Recommended Vacant Restoration	I+J K 2003-04 Recommended Budget
Appropriation							
Services and Supplies	43,588	(8,218)	35,370	-	35,370	-	35,370
Other Charges	1,570,755	(331,002)	1,239,753	-	1,239,753	-	1,239,753
Total Appropriation	1,614,343	(339,220)	1,275,123	-	1,275,123	-	1,275,123
Revenue							
Other Revenue	269,772	61,214	330,986	-	330,986	-	330,986
Total Revenue	269,772	61,214	330,986	-	330,986	-	330,986
Local Cost	1,344,571	(400,434)	944,137	-	944,137	-	944,137

Recommended Program Funded Adjustments

Services and Supplies	<u>(8,218)</u>	Reduction in professional services.
Other Charges	<u>(331,002)</u>	Reduction in relief payments.
Total Appropriation	<u>(339,220)</u>	
Revenue		
Other Revenue	<u>61,214</u>	Increase in retroactive SSI payments.
Total Revenue	<u>61,214</u>	
Local Cost	<u>(400,434)</u>	